

I CLAIM:

1. A luggage rack for mounting on a motorcycle, the luggage rack comprising:

a frame assembly mounted with respect to a seat of the motorcycle; and
a top plate removably attached to the frame assembly, the top plate interchangeable with at least one other top plate having a different configuration.

2. The luggage rack of claim 1, wherein the frame assembly comprises:

a cover plate positioned against upright bars of the seat;
at least one elongated fastener extending through the cover plate and the lock plate;
a lock plate positioned against the upright bars opposite the cover plate, the lock plate coupled to the cover plate with the at least one elongated fastener; and
at least one bracket removably attached with respect to the lock plate, the top plate removably attached to the at least one bracket. .

3. The luggage rack of claim 1, wherein the top plate is one of a functional luggage carrier and a decorative motorcycle accessory.

4. The luggage rack of claim 2, wherein the at least one bracket matches an ornamental feature of the top plate.

5. The luggage rack of claim 2, wherein the at least one bracket further comprises at least one upper threaded aperture positioned in a bracket upper edge of the at least one bracket, the at least one upper threaded aperture lined with a stainless steel wire insert.

6. The luggage rack of claim 2, wherein the at least one bracket further comprises at least one side threaded aperture positioned in a bracket side edge of the at least one bracket, the at least one side threaded aperture lined with a stainless steel wire insert.

7. The luggage rack of claim 2, wherein the cover plate further comprises at least one cover plate aperture, the at least one cover plate aperture corresponding to at least one lock plate aperture within the lock plate.

8. The luggage rack of claim 2, wherein the top plate is removably secured to the at least one bracket through a top surface of the top plate.

9. The luggage rack of claim 8, wherein at least one top fastener extends through the top surface of the top plate into the bracket upper edge of the at least one bracket.

10. A luggage rack for mounting on a motorcycle, the luggage rack comprising:

a frame assembly mounted with respect to a seat of the motorcycle; and

a top plate removably attached to the frame assembly, the top plate interchangeable with at least one other top plate, the at least one other top plate having a distinct decorative feature from the top plate.

11. The luggage rack of claim 10, wherein the frame assembly comprises:

a cover plate positioned against upright bars extending upwards from the seat;

a lock plate positioned against the upright bars opposite the cover plate;

and

at least one bracket removably attached with respect to the lock plate, the at least one bracket including a bracket upper edge and a bracket side edge, the at least one bracket having at least one upper threaded aperture within the bracket upper edge, the bracket having at least one side threaded aperture within the bracket side

edge, wherein the top plate is removably attached with the at least one bracket.

12. The luggage rack of claim 10, wherein the frame assembly comprises:

a lock plate positioned against the upright bars;

at least one clamping block positioned against the upright bars with respect to the lock plate;

at least one bracket removably secured with respect to the lock plate, the top plate attachable to the at least one bracket; and

at least one block fastener connecting the lock plate and the at least one clamping block around the upright bars.

13. The luggage rack of claim 11, wherein the cover plate and the lock plate include a plurality of corresponding apertures.

14. The luggage rack of claim 11, wherein the at least one bracket is removably secured to the lock plate by one or more elongated fasteners extending from the lock plate into side threaded apertures within bracket side edges of the at least one bracket.

15. The luggage rack of claim 11, wherein the cover plate and the lock plate are positioned on opposite sides of the upright bars and are secured together by one or more elongated fasteners.

16. The luggage rack of claim 15, wherein a head of the one or more elongated fasteners is positioned on the seat side of the cover plate so that the one or more removable fasteners extend through the cover plate and the lock plate.

17. The luggage rack of claim 12, wherein the at least one bracket is removably secured to the lock plate by at least one bracket fastener extending from the lock plate into side threaded apertures within bracket side edges of the at least one bracket.

18. The luggage rack of claim 12, wherein the at least one clamping block forms a U-shaped channel around a corresponding upright bar, the U-shaped channel having an open end extending over the lock plate.

19. The luggage rack of claim 12, wherein at least a portion of the upright bars extend at an angle relative to vertical and the at least one clamping block is positioned at a corresponding angle.

20. The luggage rack of claim 10 further comprising a luggage rack cover that extends around the top plate.

21. A luggage rack for mounting to upright bars of a backrest of a motorcycle, the luggage rack comprising:

a cover plate positioned against the upright bars;

a lock plate positioned with respect to the cover plate;

at least one bracket removably attached with respect to the lock plate to maintain the cover plate and the lock plate in a fixed position relative to the upright bars; and

a top plate removably attached to the at least one bracket, the top plate interchangeable with at least one other top plate, the at least one other top plate having a distinct decorative feature from the top plate.

22. The luggage rack of claim 21, wherein the cover plate and the lock plate rest on top of sleeve upper edges of female sleeves that hold the upright bars in place.

23. The luggage rack of claim 21, wherein the cover plate includes cover plate side edges and the lock plate includes lock plate side edges that are each generally flush with outside bar edges of the upright bars.

24. The luggage rack of claim 21, wherein the lock plate has a thickness, a portion of the thickness milled away along lock plate side edges.

25. A luggage rack for mounting to upright bars of a motorcycle, the luggage rack comprising:

a lock plate positioned against the upright bars;

at least one clamping block positioned against the upright bars and connected to the lock plate;

at least one block fastener connecting the lock plate and the at least one clamping block together;

at least one bracket removably secured with respect to the lock plate;

at least one bracket fastener extending through the lock plate; and

a top plate removably attached to the at least one bracket, the top plate interchangeable with at least one other top plate, the at least one other top plate having a distinct decorative feature from the top plate.

26. The luggage rack of claim 25, wherein the at least one clamping block forms a U-shaped channel around the upright bar.

27. The luggage rack of claim 25, wherein the at least one clamping block is coupled to the lock plate with the at least one block fastener.

28. The luggage rack of claim 25, wherein the top plate has at least one of a Skull design, a Maltese Cross design, a Flame design, a T-Rack design and a Sport design.

29. The luggage rack of claim 25, wherein the luggage rack includes a luggage rack cover, the luggage rack cover comprising:

a sheath, the sheath designed to fit around the top plate;

a flap, the flap foldable around the top plate; and

at least one cover fastener fastening the flap to the sheath to maintain the luggage rack cover in a fixed position relative to the top plate.